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|  **Wow facts**Geography subject knowledge organiser— Explorers* Henson became a cabin boy when he was only 12 years. He was educated by Captain Childs who taught him to read and write. He treated Henson like a son.
* During the expedition, the main job of Henson was as a navigator. He also traded with the Inuit people and as a craftsman. Henson was capable of learning the language of Inuit people.
* Henson took part in the expedition of Peary after he was invited as a member of the Explorers Clube in 1937 because of his magnificent achievement. You have to know that Henson was the first African American person accepted as a member.
* A book published in 1991 was created to honour Henson. You can find the material about him, Peary’s Inuit, son and wife.
* Henson was born on 8 August 1866 in a farm in Nanjemoy, Maryland. His mother died went Henson was only two years old.
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| **Key People**The negro who reached the PoleMatthew Henson | Matthew Henson and four Inuit guides**Diagrams/Pictures** |

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| Key Vocabulary  |
| Word | Meaning |
| Chronological | Placing a record of events following the order in which they happen |
| Century | A period of 100 years |
| Decade | A period of ten years |
| Achievement  | An Achievement is something challenging that someone does well |
| Equipment  | Objects that are needed for an activity, such as exploring |
| Expedition | A journey taken for a reason such as exploring somewhere or something |
| Explorer | Someone who goes on a journey to find out about somewhere or something new. |
| Polar | Polar describes anything about (or near) the North Pole or South Pole |
| Significant | Important and worth knowing about |
| North Pole | Northern end of the Earth’s axis, lying on the Arctic Ocean, about 450 miles north of Greenland |
| Crevasse | A deep hole or crack in a glacier or the Earth |
| Inuit | A member of a native people of Northern Canada and parts of Greenland and Alaska |